



CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF MICHIGAN

I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim
January 2013 as

RADON ACTION MONTH

WHEREAS, radon is a tasteless, odorless, colorless, radioactive gas that occurs naturally in soil and rock and sometimes enters buildings through openings in the foundation floor or walls; and,

WHEREAS, exposure to elevated levels of radon is an environmental health threat; in the U.S., this exposure in homes is the leading cause of lung cancer among nonsmokers and is believed to be the second leading cause of lung cancer after smoking; and,

WHEREAS, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has categorized several Michigan counties as Zone 1, indicating a high potential for elevated concentrations of radon in homes; in some areas, more than 50 percent of homes have elevated radon levels; and,

WHEREAS, testing for radon is easy and inexpensive, and homes with elevated radon levels can be fixed; and,

WHEREAS, during this month, we join with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and local health departments to encourage all citizens to learn more about radon, to test their homes and to have elevated levels of radon reduced;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Snyder, governor of Michigan, do hereby proclaim January 2013 as Radon Action Month in Michigan.

A handwritten signature of Rick Snyder in black ink.

Rick Snyder
Governor

